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10. A method according to claim 1 wherein the bracing body surface is a surface of a thin layer of dielectric material bonded to a conductor and attracting the skin comprises applying a voltage between the conductor and the skin.

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11. A method according to claim 10 wherein attracting the region of skin comprises pressing the dielectric surface to the region of skin so that furrows of blemishes in the skin are flattened to and contact the dielectric surface.

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12. A method according to claim 1 wherein attracting the region of skin comprises aspirating air from between the region of skin and the surface of the bracing body.

13. A method according to claim 1 and comprising shaping the surface of the bracing body so that the contour of the surface is substantially a negative of the contour of the region of skin exclusive of contour features resulting from the blemishes in the skin.

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14. A method for treating blemishes having furrows on a region of a person's skin comprising:

placing on the region of skin a thin pliable foil that at least partially recovers its shape after being deformed when forces responsible for the deformation are removed;

applying forces that deform the foil so that it contacts skin in furrows of the blemish;

adhering the deformed foil to the blemish; and

removing the applied forces so that the foil at least partially recovers its undeformed shape.

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15. A method according to claim 14 wherein adhering comprises using an adhesive.

16. A method according to claim 14 wherein adhering comprises electrically charging the foil with respect to the skin so that electrostatic forces between the charged foil and induced charge in the skin adhere the foil to the skin.

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17. A method according to claim 14 and comprising heating the region of skin.

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28. A method according to claim 27 and comprising controlling the voltage to control the rate at which the substance is perfused.

29. A method according to claim 28 and comprising modulating the voltage at a frequency of peristaltic waves of pores in the region of skin.

30. A method according to claim 1 wherein a blemish comprises a wrinkle.

31. Apparatus for treating a blemish having a furrow in a region of skin comprising:
a bracing body having a surface that is placed contiguous with or in proximity to the region of skin, said bracing body having at least one air passage through which air between the skin region and the surface can be aspirated; and
a vacuum pump coupled to the bracing body for aspirating air through the air passage so as to flatten the blemish to the bracing body surface.

32. Apparatus according to claim 31, wherein the bracing body comprises:
a thin dielectric layer bonded to a conductor, wherein the bracing body surface is a surface of the dielectric layer not bonded to the conductor; and
a power supply that applies a voltage difference between the conductor and the skin.

33. Apparatus according to claim 31 and comprising a deformable foil having an adhesive layer for bonding the foil to the region of skin and wherein when air is aspirated through the bracing body, the foil is flattened to the bracing body surface.

34. Apparatus according to claim 31 and comprising:
a foil having a dielectric layer bonded to a conducting layer, which foil is deformable so that the dielectric layer contacts skin in the furrow; and
a power supply that generates a potential difference between the conducting layer and the skin so that electrostatic forces adhere the foil to the skin in the furrow and wherein when air is aspirated through the bracing body, the foil is flattened to the bracing body surface.



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41. Apparatus according to claim 40 and comprising a pump that forces air through the air passage.

42. Apparatus according to claim 40 wherein the bracing body is a thin rectangular ribbon shaped body.

5 43. Apparatus according to claim 31 wherein the bracing body surface is formed so that the contour of the surface substantially matches the contour of the region of skin exclusive of contour features resulting from the blemishes in the skin.

10 44. A method for treating blemishes having furrows on a region of a person's skin comprising:

heating the skin so that bent collagen fibers in the furrows become plastic;

applying forces to the heated collagen fibers that tend to straighten the fibers; and

cooling the collagen fibers while the forces are applied so that the collagen fibers retain a memory of their straightened configuration.

5 45. Apparatus according to claim 31 wherein a blemish comprises a wrinkle.

46. A method for treating blemishes on a region of person's skin comprising:

10 placing on the region of skin an elastically stretchable, multi-layered body comprising a conducting layer coated with a thin dielectric layer so that the surface of the dielectric layer is contiguous with the skin; and

repeatedly stretching and relaxing the layered body while the surface of the dielectric layer is in contact with the region of skin.

25 47. A method according to claim 44 wherein a blemish comprises a wrinkle.